

Sentence Completion

1. She hadn't eaten all day, and by the time she got home she was _____.

- a. blighted
- b. confutative
- c. ravenous
- d. ostentatious
- e. blissful

2. The movie offended many of the parents of its younger viewers by including unnecessary _____ in the dialogue.

- a. vulgarity
- b. verbosity
- c. vocalizations
- d. garishness
- e. tonality

3. His neighbors found his _____ manner bossy and irritating, and they stopped inviting him to backyard barbeques.

- a. insentient
- b. magisterial
- c. reparatory
- d. restorative
- e. modest

4. Steven is always _____ about showing up for work because he feels that tardiness is a sign of irresponsibility.

- a. legible
- b. tolerable
- c. punctual
- d. literal
- e. belligerent

5. Candace would _____ her little sister into an argument by teasing her and calling her names.

- a. advocate
- b. provoke
- c. perforate
- d. lamente
- e. expunge

6. The dress Ariel wore _____ with small, glassy beads, creating a shimmering effect.

- a. titillated
- b. reiterated
- c. scintillated
- d. enthralled
- e. striated

7. Being able to afford this luxury car will _____ getting a betterpaying job.

- a. maximize
- b. recombinant
- c. reiterate
- d. necessitate
- e. reciprocate

8. Levina unknowingly _____ the thief by holding open the elevator doors and ensuring his escape.

- a. coerced
- b. proclaimed
- c. abetted
- d. sanctioned
- e. solicited

9. Shakespeare, a(n) _____ writer, entertained audiences by writing many tragic and comic plays.

- a. numeric
- b. obstinate
- c. dutiful
- d. prolific
- e. generic

10. I had the _____ experience of sitting next to an over-talkative passenger on my flight home from Brussels.

- a. satisfactory
- b. commendable
- c. galling
- d. acceptable
- e. acute

11. Prince Phillip had to choose: marry the woman he loved and _____ his right to the throne, or marry Lady Fiona and inherit the crown.

- a. reprimand
- b. upbraid
- c. abdicate
- d. winnow
- e. extol

12. If you will not do your work of your own _____, I have no choice but to penalize you if it is not done on time.

- a. predilection
- b. coercion
- c. excursion
- d. volition
- e. infusion

13. After sitting in the sink for several days, the dirty, food-encrusted dishes became _____.

- a. malodorous
- b. prevalent
- c. imposing
- d. perforated
- e. emphatic

14. Giulia soon discovered the source of the _____ smell in the room: a week-old tuna sandwich that one of the children had hidden in the closet.

- a. quaint
- b. fastidious
- c. clandestine
- d. laconic
- e. fetid

15. After making _____ remarks to the President, the reporter was not invited to return to the White House pressroom.

- a. hospitable
- b. itinerant
- c. enterprising
- d. chivalrous
- e. irreverent

16. With her _____ eyesight, Krystyna spotted a trio of deer on the hillside and she reduced the speed of her car.

- a. inferior
- b. keen
- c. impressionable
- d. ductile
- e. conspiratorial

17. With a(n) _____ grin, the boy quickly slipped the candy into his pocket without his mother's knowledge.

- a. jaundiced
- b. nefarious
- c. stereotypical
- d. sentimental
- e. impartial

18. Her _____ display of tears at work did not impress her new boss, who felt she should try to control her emotions.

- a. maudlin
- b. meritorious
- c. precarious
- d. plausible
- e. schematic

19. Johan argued, "If you know about a crime but don't report it, you are _____ in that crime because you allowed it to happen."

- a. acquitted
- b. steadfast
- c. tenuous
- d. complicit
- e. nullified

20. The authorities, fearing a _____ of their power, called for a military state in the hopes of restoring order.

- a. subversion
- b. premonition
- c. predilection
- d. infusion
- e. inversion